The Daily Astorian.

ASTORIA, OREGON:

The Astoria R. R.

ABOUT the first of last December a proposition was made to the Oregon and California R. R. Co., to build the road from Forest Grove to Astoria and exchange it

for the land grant. By accepting ty's expedition to Lake Victoria this proposition the present own- was compelled to retreat on May ers of the land grant would have 5th, when in latitude 35 north, become the owners of a railroad longitude 39 east, in consequence running from Forest Grove to As- of hostile demonstrations of natoria without the expenditure of a tives. The expedition is now dollar. It was the intention of the making another attempt to con- gagements will be quickly dispatched. parties to begin at Astoria and tinue explorations.

build as far as the Nehalem, thus saving the grant from being forfeited. The proposition was not accepted. It would be reasonable to suppose that if the present holders of the grant did not accept such a proposition they would of themselves build the road. But

in that we are mistaken. Seven at the Vatican from New York months have elapsed since that that the Catholic clergy in the proposition was made and we do United States will follow the innot see any serious movement struction of the Pope in regard to made looking to the building of a Parnell and his followers.

railroad. They may be intending to build a railroad sometime in the course of a few years. But at present their actions clearly inducate that the policy of the company is to delay the building of the road and also to delay the forfeiture of the land grant as long as possible.

By rejecting this proposition to build the railroad without cost, and refusing to build it themselves, the Oregon and California railroad company has made itself the enemy of Oregon's best interests. It is possible that the company's interests are so interwoven with that of the Northern Pacific railroad company, and the Tacoma and Portland land schemes, that it was not considered best to build HOUSE, SIGN, AND CARRIAGE the Astoria railroad. But when we consider the company's con tract to build the railroad within Paper Hanging, Kalsomining, Etc., six years, and its refusal to build And all kinds of work in my line do prompt and satisfactory manner. or allow others to build after Ershop next east of Grace Church. thirteen years, forbearance ceases to be a virtue. The forty-eighth congress convenes in Washington next December. If we can judge of its temper, the people as well as tix t x L Pkg. Co. the railroads will get a hearing and justice. If our people now do belongs, and that is with the people. Astoria and the Nehalem valley do not now need the assistance of any subsidy to secure a railroad. We only want this incubus of a grant removed. THE birthplace of James Buchanan, in Clarion county, Pennsylvania, is unmarked, not even a sign board pointing the way to thickness, and unless a remonstrance signed by the owners of two-thirds of he it. The section is rough and mountainous, and hus few inhabitants. It has been allowed to lapse into its primitive wildness and there is now nothing left to mark the spot but two heaps of stones that once were the chimneys of the cabin and store. There is nothing to cause the traveler to doubt the statement made by the president himself, that when he was a little lad in this mountain home it was the custom of his parents to hang a bell about his neck, so that he might not be lost amid the rocks and thickets when he was permitted to go outside the cabin door. SECRETARY of the Interior Teller has told a Chicago newspaper that there was nothing further going to be done about the land grants to those railroads which were never built, except on paper. Decisions of his predecessors in office were to the effect that the grant was absolute to the parties provided for in law and could be held by them, the building of the ion. He did not desire to overrule his predecessors. Possibly a remedy to recover the lands under the so-called "lapsed grants" might be found in congress or in the courts.

YESTERDAY'S Oregonian has an editorial upon Astoria which is admirably written and is free from distortion of facts. It pays a compliment to the place as a place and BARRAGE. clearly states the situation as regards the railroad and other probable attributes of prosperity. The article will do Astoria a serv-

ice and is appreciated. THE royal geographical socie-

It is reported in Constantinople Apply to SIRSON, CHURCH& CO., Portland, Or that Germany has refused to conclude a treaty admitting Turkey to the triple alliance, but has OYSTER AND COFFEE HOUSE. promised assistance should the Porte appeal for aid or protection.

INFORMATION has been received

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